

The Iowa Veterans Home Master Plan to construct new buildings and renovate existing structures will facilitate a shift from an institutional environment to a more home-like atmosphere.

Funding from the State of Iowa and the Federal Veterans Administration Construction Grant Program was approved in 2008 to begin **Phase 1** of the Master Plan and includes:

- ~ Construct a 120-bed Nursing Home incorporating the household concept; and
- ~ Construct a 60-bed Pavilion, with flexibility to accommodate the Person Centered Care environment for a variety of programs and care levels within four 15-person households.

Future Phases of the IVH Master Plan include:

**Phase 2** – Construct a second 60-bed Pavilion.

**Phase 3** - Remodel Sheeler Building to accommodate administrative and therapeutic functions in a centralized location; relocate the front driveway and remodel/raze Loftus Building to accommodate a new main entry.

**Phase 4** - Convert Dack Care Facility into the domiciliary, which would allow for the demolition of Heinz Hall; construct a third 60-bed Pavilion on the Heinz Hall site.

Funding for Phases 2, 3, and 4 has been approved by the Iowa Legislature for the State share of the project (\$20.5 million) and awaits bonding certification. The IVH has made application to the Federal VA Construction Grant Program for the remainder of the funding. The VA has approved the project concept statement, but the project cannot be considered for federal funding until the State match is in place.

A recent article reported that the State of Iowa may delay plans to issue the bonds to pay for Phases 2-4 of the Master Plan (among other capital projects around the state). This delay does **not** affect Phase 1 of the Master Plan (120-bed nursing home and 60-bed pavilion).

Funding for Phase 1 has been appropriated by the state (\$15.8 million) and is already sitting in a construction fund and is awaiting the federal match (\$29.4 million). Ground breaking for Phase 1 is tentatively scheduled for Spring of 2009.

## **FUNDING SUMMARY**

### **Phase 1: 120 Bed Nursing Home & 60 Bed Pavilion**

State Portion	Fed Match	Total
\$15,853,138	\$29,441,542	\$45,294,680

### **Phase 2: 60 Bed Pavilion**

State Portion	Fed Match	Total
\$5,107,515	\$9,485,385	\$14,592,900

### **Phase 3: Remodel Sheeler/New Main Entrance**

State Portion	Fed Match	Total
\$6,802,621	\$12,633,438	\$19,436,059

### **Phase 4: 60 Bed Pavilion/Demo Heinz Hall**

State Portion	Fed Match	Total
\$8,645,193	\$16,055,358	\$24,700,551

### **Total Master Plan Projects**

State Portion	Fed Match	Total
\$36,408,467	\$67,939,337	\$103,934,190